

Class: English/ 4

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- **The verb to be is used** as an auxiliary to denote the progressive or continuous aspect of an action; it is thus used to form the "present progressive" and "past progressive" and other progressive tenses (also called the present continuous and past continuous tenses, etc.). In this case, be is followed by the present participle of a verb.



To Be



past



present



future

I	was	am	will
you	were	are	will
she	was	is	will
we	were	are	will
you (guys)	were	are	will
they	were	are	will

Verb to Be Uses

The verb to be is used to say something about a person, thing, or state, to show a permanent or temporary quality, state, job, etc.

- We use the verb to be to talk about the age:
 - He is 41 years old
 - She is 19 years old
 - We are 22 years old

- We use the verb to talk about the profession we have:
 - I am a lawyer
 - She is not a teacher
 - We are Youtubers and Bloggers

➤ We use the verb to be to talk about the physical appearance:

- She is thin
- We are in shape
- They are fit

➤ We use the verb to be to indicate where we are:

- We are at the university
- I am in the supermarket
- She is in the hospital

➤ We use the verb to be to talk about our personality:

- She is a happy girl
- We are very friendly
- They are clever

➤ We use the verb to be to introduce ourselves:

- I am Janet
- She is my friend Nathan
- He is my teacher

➤ We use the verb to be to indicate our nationality:

- I am Italian
- She is French
- I am from Brazil

Verb to Be Examples: Affirmative

These are some affirmative sentences with the verb to be:

- I am 19 years old
- I am a Spanish teacher
- She is my girlfriend

Verb to Be Examples: Negative

These are some examples of negative sentences with the verb to be

- I am not crazy
- I am not happy
- She is not my friend

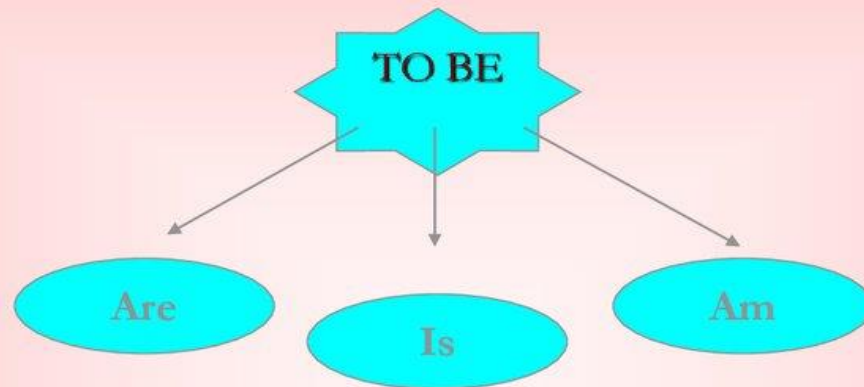
Verb to Be Examples: Questions

These are some examples of yes or no questions with the verb to be

- are you crazy?
- Are you, my friend?
- Are you with me?

The verb to be

I
He
She
It
You
We
They



You are my friend.

We are happy at school.

They are from Moscow.

He is a clever boy.

She is a kind girl.

It is a funny cat.

I am a pupil of the 5-th form.

Verb to be

I	→	• Am	I'm
He	→	• Is	he's
She	→	• Is	she's
It	→	• Is	it's
You	→	• Are	you're
We	→	• Are	we're
they	→	• Are	they're



Simple Present Tense of **Be**

Positive Statements

I	am	I'm
He		He's
She	is	She's
It		It's
We		We're
You	are	You're
They		They're

Negative Statements

I	am not	I'm not	
He		He's not	or He isn't
She	is not	She's not	or She isn't
It		It's not	or It isn't
We		We're not	or We aren't
You	are not	You're not	or You aren't
They		They're not	or They aren't



The Past Simple with "be"

Positive with 'be'	Negative with 'be'	Negative Short Form
I was cold.	I was not sleepy.	I wasn't sleepy.
You were tired.	You were not on the bus.	You weren't on the bus.
He was in the garden.	He was not at school.	He wasn't at school.
He was late.	He was not ugly.	He wasn't ugly.
It was rainy.	It was not hot.	It wasn't hot.
We were on holiday.	We were not at work.	We weren't at work.
They were hungry.	They were not tired.	They weren't tired.

PAST OF TO BE: WAS / WERE

POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	QUESTIONS	SHORT ANSWERS
I was	I wasn't	Was I?	Yes, I was. No, I wasn't.
You were	You weren't	Were you?	Yes, you were. No, you weren't.
He was	He wasn't	Was he?	Yes, he was. No, he wasn't.
She was	She wasn't	Was she?	Yes, she was. No, she wasn't.
It was	It wasn't	Was it?	Yes, it was. No, it wasn't.
We were	We weren't	Were we?	Yes, we were. No, we weren't.
They were	They weren't	Were they?	Yes, they were. No, they weren't.
You were	You weren't	Were you?	Yes, you were. No, you weren't.

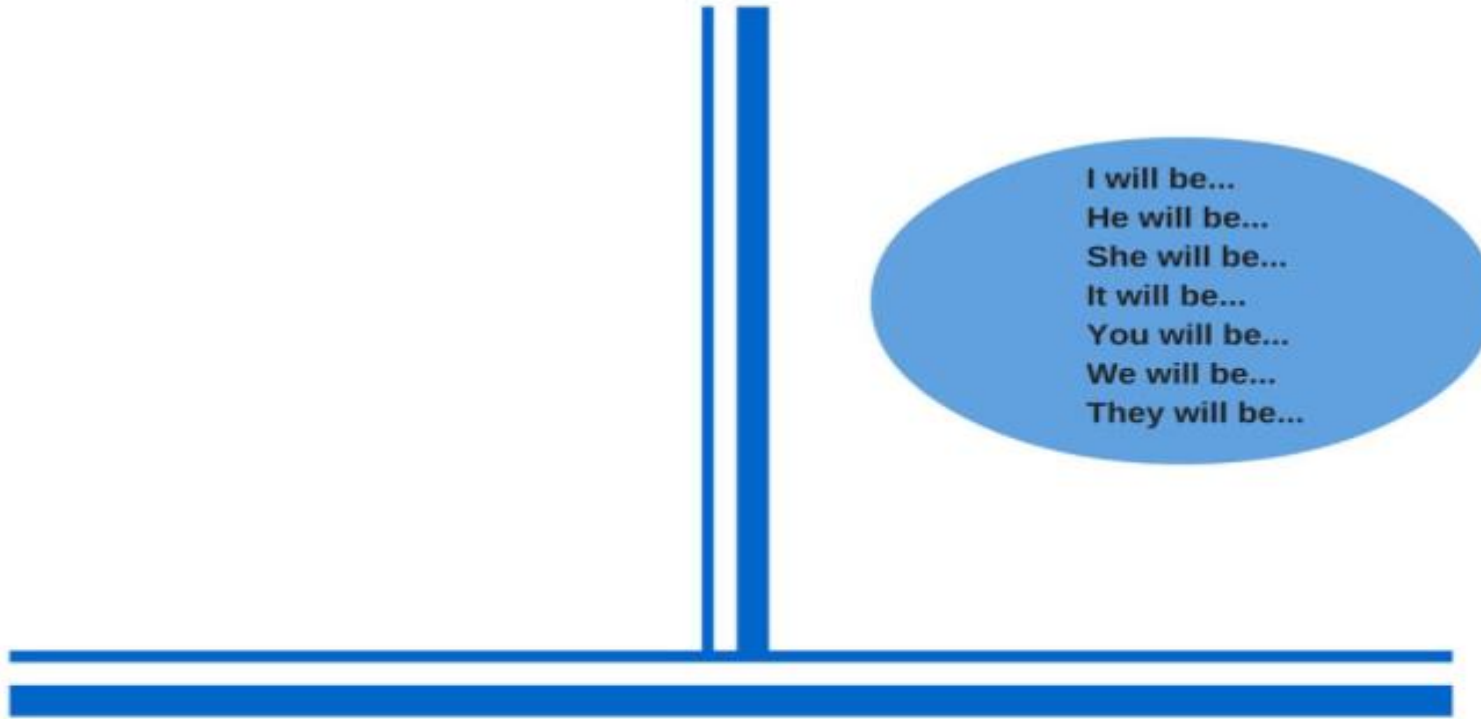
FUTURE TENSE VERB TO BE

- The future of the verb to be one forms with **WILL** and soon It adds the verb to be in infinitive (**WILL BE**)

I	will be
You	will be
He	will be
She	will be
It	will be
We	will be
You	will be
They	will be

Present

Future



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Examples:

- I **will be** a student next year.
- She **will be** a student next year.
- You **will be** a student next year.
- They **will be** students next year.

Infinitive	Simple Future	Negative
to be	will be	will not be
to ask	will ask	will not ask
to work	will work	will not work
to call	will call	will not call
to use	will use	will not use
to have	will have	will not have

Complete the sentences with the forms of to be in the present simple (am, is, are).

1. I at home.
2. She not at home in the morning.
3. We in the park.
4. This my new laptop.
5. Our friends on their summer holidays.
6. Uncle George a good football player.
7. The dog under the table.
8. He very funny.
9. The shoes white.
10. You right.
11. Susan good at tennis.
12. They in the house.
13. His T-shirts cool.
14. My sister a good swimmer.
15. She in Italy.

1. I ----- (be) sleepy yesterday.
2. It -----(not / be) cold last night.
3. Why ----- (be) the Vikings important?
4. Sue and Jonas -----(not / be) friends.
5. Kim and I ----- (be) always late.
6. Where ----- (be) the knives and forks?
7. How ----- the show?
8. Yesterday -----(be) the best day of my life.
9. Who ----- (be) at the pool yesterday?

13 Questions (3) - Am/are/is; do/does; has/have

1. What you going to do tonight?
2. you ever go camping?
3. What you mother doing right now?
4. you have any friends from abroad?
5. you ever eaten frogs' legs?
6. What the nickname for New York?
7. the teacher wearing glasses?
8. your father smoke?
9. you prefer coffee or tea?
10. How many keys a piano have?
11. Which city bigger: Bangkok or Rome?
12. your best friend ever given you flowers?
13. cars drive on the left or the right?



Student A

13 Questions (3) - Am/are/is; do/does; has/have

1. you sitting in an armchair?
2. you American?
3. you ever been abroad?
4. What you wearing?
5. What the nickname for Bangkok?
6. you speak Japanese?
7. the teacher have a beard?
8. you prefer the beach or the mountains?
9. How many strings a guitar have?
10. Which more expensive: silver or gold?
11. your mother like classical music?
12. Where Aborigines live?
13. you left-handed?



Student B

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